## **Bachechi Open Space**

## **Construction Progress Update**

## Late November 2010

- Longhorn Construction is starting the project by constructing the three buildings (education, maintenance, and caretakers) and the utilities leading to each building. Completion of all buildings is anticipated to occur in early spring 2011. Landscaping around the buildings will be one of the last items to be completed just before the project concludes in late summer/early fall 2011.
- 2. Trail corridors have been carefully created through the arboretum. The alignments avoided desirable trees. This gradual and careful clearing of corridors made non-trail areas where dead or undesirable vegetation was present much more visible. Longhorn Construction and Bernalillo County are taking a careful, iterative approach to clearing trail alignments to ensure that the area is not overcut, while at the same time, removing vegetation that is clearly in the way or is not desirable. This area will be a gradual work-in-progress until all undesirable vegetation (primarily elms) is removed, which will occur over a several year period.
- 3. Excavation of the expanded wetland pond has begun.
- 4. Landscaping and irrigation work will not begin until spring 2011.
- 5. Parking lot improvements at the Alameda Open Space are expected to begin March 2011.

Look for the next project update in the first few months of 2011. In the meantime, if you have questions, please contact Clay Campbell at 314-0400 or at <a href="mailto:ccampbell@bernco.gov">ccampbell@bernco.gov</a>